BY repealing

Chapter 59 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2000 Section 4 and 9

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Chapter 59 of the Acts of 2000

[SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 14–1315 of Article – Commercial Law of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed.]

[SECTION 9. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 4 of this Act shall take effect October 1, 2005.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2004.

Approved April 27, 2004.

CHAPTER 99

(Senate Bill 175)

AN ACT concerning

Public Service Commission - Declaratory Judgments

FOR the purpose of providing that certain petitions to challenge the validity exapplication of a regulation of the Public Service Commission must be filed within certain periods; providing for the determination of the application of certain regulations under certain circumstances; repealing a provision that allowed a court to determine the validity of a regulation regardless of whether the petitioner had asked the Commission to do so; providing that a party must raise an objection to the Commission's decision to act by order rather than by regulation in a court proceeding of a regulation of the Public Service Commission shall be filed in accordance with a certain section of law; providing that certain persons, in seeking to challenge a certain decision of the Commission to act by order rather than regulation, shall seek judicial review within a certain time period; prohibiting a party from appealing the Commission's decision to act by order under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; providing that a certain order issued before a certain date in a certain proceeding, that is not the subject of a certain judicial proceeding, is not invalid or unenforceable as a result of the order meeting a certain definition; and generally relating to the authority of the Public Service Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – Public Utility Companies